

Although the Open Skies proposal is not treaty-related, there will be inevitably some interplay with existing and proposed arms control agreements. CFE and "Open Skies", for example, are both intended to promote greater transparency and openness but while they are mutually enhancing, they need not be duplicative. The CFE system is tied to specific military activities in defined areas of Europe, and to a challenge inspection regime aimed at verifying the details of such activities. The Open Skies proposal is aimed at establishing openness in a very concrete way but in a much broader area. It could play an extremely significant role in building confidence between nations in the decade of the 1990s.